

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU ATTEND A SI SESSION

WHAT IS SI?

- SI is a **free** resource to support historically difficult courses.
- SI offers regularly scheduled, **active-review** sessions facilitated by undergraduate students who previously excelled in the course.
 - These undergraduate students are employees of Academic Support with the job title, SI Leader.
- SI Sessions are informal. They are not class. But they are also **not** a substitution for class.
- SI is a place to make and learn from mistakes.
- Neither students' performance nor attendance records at sessions are submitted to instructors.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

- SI is designed for students at every level of knowledge. Bring your notes and materials from class and be ready to talk with your classmates – the SI model is based on interaction!
- The SI Leader does **not** re-lecture material from class nor teach new information. The SI Leader is there to model effective strategies and facilitate active learning and discussion as a **peer**.
- A SI Leader may create practice materials for various processes, but this should not be expected at every session. Materials in sessions are meant to facilitate student-centered learning. SI Leaders may address problems or content that is similar to that on the homework, but SI sessions are not for targeted homework help.
- Expect the SI Leader to be prepared and plan something to organize the time. The SI Leader is there to help time be efficient, but they also need you to communicate the difficult concepts on which you want to spend time. Ideally, SI sessions feel like a productive group study session.

WHO WILL BE THERE?

- SI sessions are open to everyone enrolled in the class. If you're able to make it, there's no need to make an appointment – just find the room location and show up!
 - You should get messages from your SI Leader in Canvas or you can check AU Involve.
- SI Leaders are your **peers** and you will be surrounded by classmates who also want to work towards mastery of the content.
- SI Leaders are **not** TAs and not involved in grading.
- SI is a place where all AU undergrads are welcome, appreciated and supported in their academic goals. No insults or threats (physical, verbal, graphic, written, or electronic) related to ability, appearance, culture, gender, home language, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or social class will be tolerated.